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Docket No.: 30203/38233
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In re Patent Application of:
Evren Eryurek et al.

Application No.: 10/085,445

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Filed: February 28, 2002

Art Unit: 2121

For: FIDUCIAL TECHNIQUE FOR ESTIMATING
AND USING DEGRADATION LEVELS IN A
PROCESS PLANT

Examiner: Thomas K. Pham

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION (37 C.F.R. § 1.116)

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated December 28, 2004, rejecting claims 1-27 and 29-35, applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Applicant(s): Evren Eryurek et al.

Invention: FIDUCIAL TECHNIQUE FOR ESTIMATING AND USING DEGRADATION LEVELS IN A PROCESS PLANT

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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